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FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

- Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
 See Instruction 1(b).
- o Form 3 Holdings Reported
- o Form 4 Transactions Reported

Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
Arthur, Wyatt R.		First Busey Corporation — BUSE		
(Last) (First) (Middle)				
2001 Sourth Duncan Road	4.	Statement for Month/Year December 2002	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
(Street)	6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)
Champaign, Il 61821		☐ Director 0 10% Owner O Officer (aive title below)		Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		O Other (specify below)		• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Person* Arthur, Wyatt R. (Last) (First) (Middle) 2001 Sourth Duncan Road (Street) Champaign, Il 61821	Person* Arthur, Wyatt R. (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. 2001 Sourth Duncan Road (Street) 6.	Person* Arthur, Wyatt R. First Busey Corporation — BUSE ** **Cast) (First) (Middle) ** **Cast) (First) (Middle) ** ** **Cast) Sourth Duncan Road **December 2002 **Cast) Sourth Duncan Road ** **Cast) Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable) ** ** Director o 10% Owner of Officer (give title below)	Person* Symbol Arthur, Wyatt R. First Busey Corporation — BUSE **Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Statement for Month/Year 5. 2001 Sourth Duncan Road December 2002 **Street) 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable) 7. **Champaign, Il 61821 ○ Officer (give title below)

Title Secu (Insti	rity	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3.	Transaction 4 Code (Instr. 8)	s. Securities A or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 an	of (D)		5.	Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at the End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6.	Ownership 7. Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					
Com	non	5/29/2002	5/29/2002		G	240) D					D	
		1/1/02 - 12/31/02			L	1,350.387	5 A	Dividend Rein.		64,877.912		D	

Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5.	Number of Derivat Acquired (A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ive Securities sposed of (D)
						(A)	(D)
Stock Option	\$18.25	1/19/99					
Stock Option	\$20.0625	2/15/00					
Stock Option	\$17.875	2/19/01					
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Date Exercisab Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Yea	e	Title and Am Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Securities	Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year (Instr. 4)	10.	Ownership of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
1/19/00	12/15/03	Common	3,000			3,000		D		
1/16/01	12/15/04	Common	3,000			3,000		D		
1/15/02	12/15/05	Common	3,000			3,000		D		
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olanation of I	Responses:		e M. Warren Porting			January 2		3		
		**Signatu	re of Reporting	Person	inal Vi	-	e			

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Barbara J. Kuhl and Nicole M. Warren signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of First Busey Corporation (the "Company") Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 20th day of August, 2002.

/s/ Arthur R. Wyatt

Signature

Arthur R. Wyatt

Print Name